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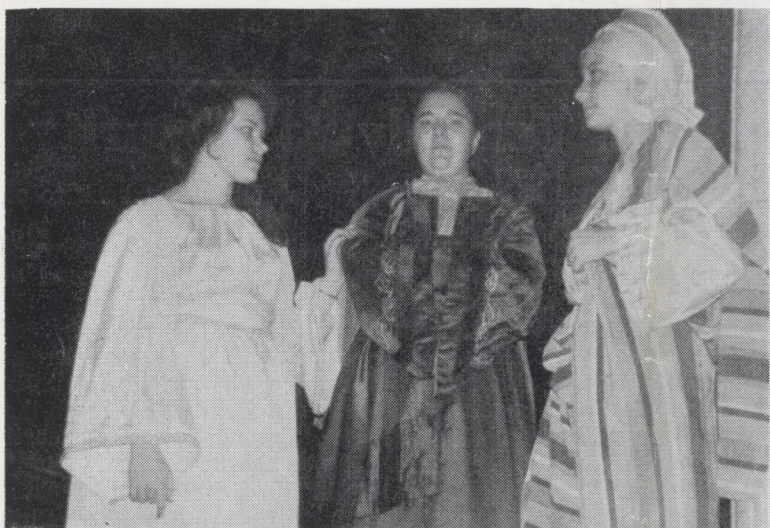
The Catherine McAuley High School, Brooklyn, N. Y.

December, 1962

Bethlehem Road Is Four Star Drama

McAuley's annual Christmas play was held on Friday evening, December 14. Exclamations of "wonderful," "marvelous" could be heard from the audience. This was due to the successful showing of the play entitled — BETHLEHEM ROAD.

The plot was based upon the original Christmas story presented in a different manner. Yvonne Ehrhard — 3A1 and Alice Schwerdtfeger — 4A1 had the star roles playing Miriam, a young girl and Seth, her boyfriend, respectively.



Y. Ehrhard, L. Ferrara, and A. Schwerdtfeger, take leading roles.

Surrounding the well at the outset of the play, the women discuss the plight of Sarah whose husband was imprisoned for not paying his taxes but in reality, for talking against Herod, the king. Sarah accepts this as the will of God. However, Miriam is determined to have her father set free. Herod, concerned with a personal problem in trying to have Judith marry him, still agrees to see them and finally grants Aaron's freedom. This incident leads to the actual version of Christ's Birth. A tableau of the manger follows.

Many thanks to Sister Mary Aloysia and the girls for their efforts and wonderful performance.



SENIORS MOLD CHRISTMAS

Now you don't have to travel way up to the North Pole to see Santa's workshop! McAuley's own Art Room has been transformed into a colorful fairyland by the Senior Ceramic classes under Sister Mary Stephanie's guidance.

Walking into the Art Room one can see gayly colored Christmas trees, sleepy elves, and delicate angels, that give you a holiday spirit. On the other hand, the large vases, busts of Our Lady, and the Egyptian queens will also fascinate you.

Asked how the classes she teaches enjoy the elective, Sister Mary Stephanie replied, "They're crazy about it!" These classes

of both Academic and Commercial girls are especially thrilled because they are molding vases and figurines which will be of use in their homes now and in the future.

If a student has an original idea, she will make use of the esthetic part of the subject. If done correctly, this clay molding will create something of which she will be proud. Most students use the commercial part, which takes in the pouring of clay into provided shapes.

Senior Dance Dons Fall Fashion

Autumn leaves, rustling skirts, McAuley seniors in the company of their escorts — this was the Senior Dance on Friday night, November 16.

All the seniors, who attended, had waited with great anticipation for that night. The girls were well rewarded for their waiting by a beautifully decorated gym. This work was supervised by the senior officials. The theme was "Autumn Leaves," and it was ably brought out by the oak leaf decorations and bright yellow chrysanthemums.

The music was brought to us by Ed Caso and his band. The excellent and varied songs were a delight to everyone.

Colors abounded as did the beautiful corsages. The seniors were a credit to the school and to themselves.

The night of the Senior Dance was over before anyone knew it, but it was a night all the seniors will remember. Whether the stars in their eyes were for that night or for a bigger night ahead, the seniors of 1962-63 will always cherish the wonderful memories of their Senior Dance.

May the Child of Bethlehem
Bless You on
CHRISTMAS DAY
And Throughout the New Year

McAULEYAN STAFF

McAuley Marks Intellectual Growth

The first Senior Assembly of the year was held on Friday, October 24 during the eighth period. The purpose of the assembly was to announce the new members of the Leo Honor Society, and to introduce the officers of the Student Council.

The following 33 girls were awarded their pins and have become members of the Honor Society: Eileen Albanese, Marilyn Alesi, Joan Bogner, Margaret Courtney, Donna Davidson, Annette DeFranco, Evelyn Dubinsky, Marianne Dunn, Francine Ferrante, Mary Forde, Marie Gioia, Marianne Hagdoulis, Florence Hannaford, Virginia Hines, Lucia Kaplan, Janice Kelleher, Barbara Kindya, Barbara Koster, Pauline Kronenberger, Mary Ann Marcario, Margaret McCarthy, Janet Petrone, Kathleen Priola, Marguerite Rezoagli, Elizabeta Savino, Nancy Scudieri, Susan Shawiry, Claire Straus, Patricia Swanberg, Catherine Tucker, Rosemary Walsh, and Judith Wenzinger.

Also recipients of pins, were the already known officers of the Student Council: Marietta Crisci, President; Ann Crowley, Vice-President; Janice Kelleher, Dolores Walsh and Jo Ann Musico, associate officers.

Sister Mary Maurice took this opportunity to announce that Catherine McAuley has been recognized as an affiliated member of the Catholic University of America.

Sister also entreated the girls to say special prayers at this crucial period of history in our lives, and to look upon Russia and our other enemies with "Christian pity."

Play About Teen Gets High Rating

By Ann Mastaloni

December 5 seemed like an ordinary day to most of the world, but to McAuley it was a long awaited experience. It was the day when 4A1, winner of the Yearbook Drive, and all the girls who sold thirty dollars worth of boosters, received a reward for their work. At approximately 9:45, 400 McAuleyans boarded chartered buses to be taken to McGuinnis' Restaurant, the first stop on the trip. After reaching their destination, they enjoyed a delectable chicken dinner. Bubbling over

with excitement, the McAuleyans proceeded to the Biltmore Theater, where they enthusiastically watched, "Take Her, She's Mine."

At the Theater

This riotous comedy stars Art Carney. He plays a typical father, who takes dancing lessons to pass the time while his daughter is away at college. The daughter is played by Elizabeth Ashley, who becomes quite occupied at college with one non-matriculated subject — boys! At the conclusion of the play, a thundering ovation poured forth from the stage-struck McAuleyans.

After the performance, the McAuleyans went to the orchestra where Mr. Carney, Miss Ashley and others came on stage. The girls were allowed to ask them a few questions.



Art Carney talks to youngest daughter, Liz, played by June Hardins

Christmas Message From Sr. M. Maurice

Christmas, 1962

Dear Girls,

"Let the heavens rejoice and let the earth be glad before the face of the Lord: because He cometh."

At Midnight Mass on Christmas let us all unite in this glad Offertory prayer and re-echo its joyous message.

As far back as you can remember, you recall your other Christmas Days. These were days of keen excitement, weren't they? Then, as one Christmas succeeded the other, the glitter of Santa Claus faded and you found yourself growing in a wisdom born of a knowledge of a true meaning of the feast.

The Christmas story is charming. But its greatest charm lies in the profundity of its message. It is a day of giving. It powerfully reminds us that God gave the world His Only Son. If we are to be a part of this day, we must give too. This we remember when we hasten to the Crib with all true adorers, the Shepherds and the Wise Men of 1962. We'll be there, we McAuleyans. We'll open wide our hearts that the Infant Jesus can saturate them with His Birthday blessings.

Girls, don't get lost in the crowd. YOU must give. When you receive your new-born King in your Christmas Communion, as surely you all will do, hold back nothing! Forget the millions of others in the crowd. YOU are the one who is important to Him. He was born in a cold stable because He loved YOU. At that precious moment assure Him of your ardent love. Beg His help in all your temptations and trials. Ask His guidance at this time of your life when it means so much. Thank Him for His protection and His favors. Present Him with your earnest resolution to ever strive most assiduously to believe in Him, hope in Him and love Him better. Then, in a reverent silence, listen and you will be convinced that YOU have given Him the Birthday Gift which He most wanted this Christmas Day.

Will it not be a complete and joyful Christmas if all of us at McAuley go to the stable with one heart, one love to give to the One loving and lovable God?

I shall in turn mention you in my petitions to the new-born Savior. May He bless each and every one of you and all your dear ones with His richest gifts this Christmas Day.

Sincerely in J.M.J.,

Sister Mary Maurice

SISTER MARY MAURICE

Stamps Back College

Time surges ahead. We're all aware of this for we live in an age when yesterday's wonder is today's necessity. We know that our cost of living has increased yet we don't realize that it has also increased for those in religious life. Those who have devoted their lives to God can't continue to exist on the same contributions that we gave them ten years ago. Money just doesn't go as far.

Here at McAuley, we are luckier than most. The Sisters of Mercy very rarely ask us for aid for their community. When they do, however, we should be most eager to assist. But are we? Recently they asked us for one book of trading stamps but the response was poor.

I realize that most people save these stamps in order to obtain the gifts, but sacrifice is the best way to show gratitude. Our school has a full staff of Sisters, which is one thing we should appreciate. And these Sisters as individuals and as a community are always eager to assist us in any way they can.

The proceeds from these stamps will be used to build a college for the Sisters.

In this Christmas season, when gifts are so freely given, couldn't we ask our families to give, as their Christmas present to the community, one book of trading stamps. It's not so much to ask and it would go a long way toward building the new college. I am sure that we can all manage to give just that.

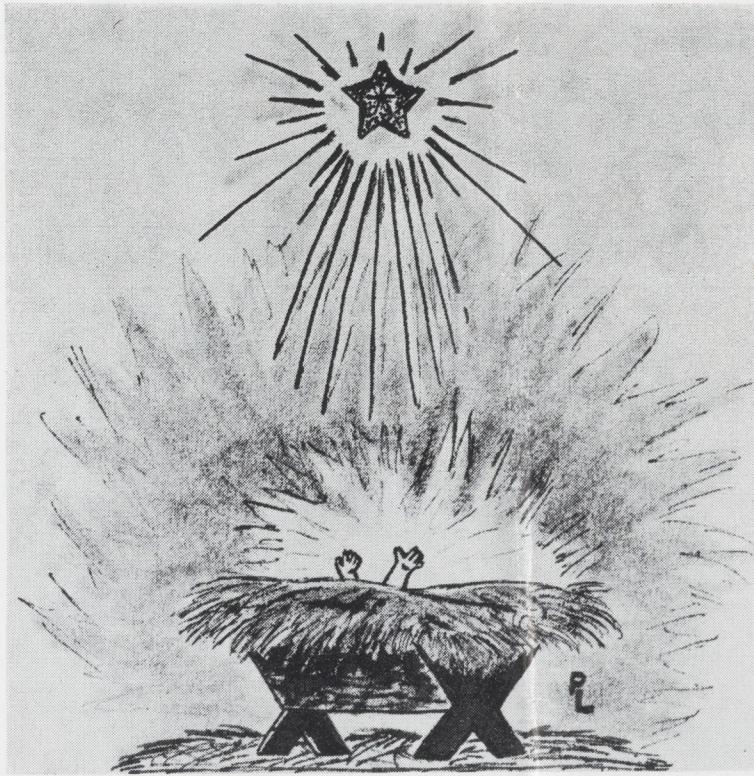
Material vs. Spiritual

Christmas, a holiday celebrated the world over, means just tinsel, gifts and joyous jubilation to many people. Amid all this cheerful clamor and gaiety the real reason is often lost.

Christmas is the birthday of Jesus Christ. It marks His arrival on earth. Some 1900 years ago He came to fulfill a promise made by God the Father to the human race. This promise was to redeem mankind and show all men the way to divine life.

If tinsel and gifts are mainly your idea of Christmas, then being Catholic means little or nothing to you. Christ is Christmas. It is grave ingratitude to trade Christ in for a tree with lights, or eight reindeers. If someone had ever forgotten our birthday, we would feel hurt and angry. But when we forget God's birthday, it doesn't really matter.

Therefore, we have a solemn obligation to keep Christ alive in Christmas by our preparation for it and our celebration of it. We, as Catholics, know the true meaning of Christmas. Use the season of Advent as a time to come closer to the Baby Jesus. Celebrate in a spirit of happiness because of the great message which He brought.



McAuley's Echos

McAuleyans usually have much to say about school government and activities, but when given an opportunity to speak, few are interested enough to respond. We consider this to be a lack of school participation.

In our last edition of the MCAULEYAN, we stated that room would be left for the student body to express themselves on a variety of topics. We are sorry to say that only several girls responded. Once again we are reserving space. We ask you to send in your viewpoints.

Dear Editor:

Why can't next year's seniors have a freshman sister as other schools do?

Future Senior

McAuley Enters Speech Contest

McAuley's representatives to the Catholic Forensic League speech contest arrived at Holy Cross High School bright and early on Saturday morning, November 17. Francine Ferrante, Peggy Bomba and Donna Davidson, all of the 3A1, enrolled in the Dramatic Interpretation competition. Then they proceeded to their assigned classrooms, equipped with their own cheering section, composed of fellow juniors and one lone sophomore.

Into the first round trooped the brave three. Out of the first round crawled the crestfallen three.

Peggy and Donna, who dramatized Schiller's *Mary Stuart*, and Francine, who did an excerpt from *Macbeth*, learned how much practice is needed in order to place well in the competition. Most of the other participants were old-timers, having competed for the past two or three years, while this is McAuley's first year of representation in the contests, and the girls' first experience with such stiff competition.

From Tragedy to Maturity

A swift breeze is blowing the pages of the past back to one year ago.

It was December 25, 1961; Christmas around the world. Everyone was happy and gay. But the year that lay ahead did not fulfill that joyous Christmas spirit.

It was 1962 and a young boy lay dead as he tried to reach the freedom of West Berlin. That year found the earth's surface split open, and the atmosphere polluted with nuclear testing. It was a year that saw anguish and sorrow in Iran, where more than twelve thousand lost their lives in one of the most disastrous earthquakes in the history of mankind. It was a year that saw Algeria rise to independence only to fall into the depravity of fighting amongst the leaders. It was 1962 and refugees from Red China poured into Hong Kong only to be turned back to their Communist captors — a disgrace that the free world must live with for many years to come. It was a year that watched governments rise and fall in poverty-stricken Latin America. It was a year in which neutral India found herself fighting, and is still fighting, for her life against the Peiping regime.

And greatest of all is this: It was 1962 and a brave President took the offensive against the Communist cutthroats that would take us over.

We have stood on the very precipice of war. This world still came through in one piece. We learned an awful lot in one year. Civilization became a great deal wiser. Some of civilization got off its happy little merry-go-round and started facing reality. Some of civilization received new hope in America's firm stand. And all of civilization is thankful that there will be another Christmas, pray God.

1962 will go down in history. 1963 will either be the climax of that history, or it will be the beginning of a new and far greater story, the story of the world's resurrection from the dark cloud of war and totalitarian Communism and its birth into a brotherhood of nations where each man is equal and all work for the common good.

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SNOWFLAKE

By Carol Delia 4A1

Obtuse, acute

Patterns imaginative,

Shapes irregular!

Glistening filigree,

Unblemished,

Frosted,

Shimmering veil!

Correction

In our last edition of the MCAULEYAN, an article on Red China was written. In it Chiang Kai-shek was quoted as saying, "Cause the cessation of Nationalist China staying in the U.N., and it would weaken the stand in the Pacific of a good and firm ally, that doesn't claim neutralism, but holds a policy which is strongly against Communism." Although the Generalissimo did express this idea, he did not say it in those exact words and the writer was mistaken in putting it in quotes.



Pinkley Seeks Truth

Hello McAuley! This is your favorite reporter of renowned topics. Yes, you've guessed it. I'm Hinkley Pinkley Jr. You are probably aware of the fact that I am responsible for such exclusive topics as, "Is the Easter Bunny's tail actually cotton or synthetic?", a delve into the campaign for Cuban razor blades, and of course, probably my most important work, an involved study of that all important question, "Does she or doesn't she?"

Well, today girls, I plan to top all previous acclaim, for I am about to interview one of the world's most famous characters, a short, round, seemingly jolly individual who answers to the name of Santa Claus, a quite improper nickname derived from his true appellation, Saint Nicholas. Let's face facts, girls, it seems very silly that this small jovial man can fit down our even smaller chimneys. And how can he find out about all of our faults when we fail to notice them.

I do admire him for one thing though, and that is his boundless energy. Why, whenever I do my Christmas shopping I never fail to resolve to take the easiest way out, by collapsing. But there stands Santa, as fat and jovial as ever, running from store to store, hearing children's

requests and still having enough spare energy to ask for alms for the poor.

Just imagine, a memory like his! Gee, you'd never have to worry about failing a test again.

Let's not knock it, friend. I hear that it really works wonders. Just get on line and offer your requests. As for me, I don't want much just a tall, handsome college man in time for the senior prom.

Carols Ring In Christmas

A procession of carols by the student body will introduce the traditional Christmas program to take place in the auditorium Friday morning, Dec. 21.

The Glee Club will sing "Carol of the Bells" arranged by Wilhousky, "What Child is This," "A Child is Born in Bethlehem," and the spiritual — "Go Tell It on the Mountain."

The accordion band will play a medley of Christmas songs and the school band will offer two best loved Christmas numbers.

Hard Work Pays Off

The Mission Club, under the supervision of Sister Mary Dymphna, conducted a very successful Christmas Sale.

There was a complete selection of gifts, pleasing to every member of the family. Not only were you able to do much of your Christmas shopping, but you were giving much needed support to the Missions.

The club has sent over fifty packages of clothing, religious articles, stamps, and old jewelry to Missions all over the country. However, there is great need for TOYS to send to the Missions for children who are helped by them. Just think, how wonderful it would be, if each and every McAuleyan were to buy a toy for about a quarter, gift-wrap it, and mark on the outside if it is for a boy or girl, and leave it at the Mission Club to be sent to the Missions. How happy you would feel on Christmas, knowing you helped to make some poor child smile upon receiving your gift.

Little Brother Causes Christmas Chaos

Christmas just wouldn't be itself if it weren't for those last minute shopping trips which always seem to take us from one end of the town to the other. The whole thing usually gets started when Michael, my darling little brother, decides at the last moment that he no longer wants a Nifty Space Station for Christmas. As a result, yours truly has to charge down to the store and exchange it for a genuine Tick Dracy Detective Kit.

Why is it that whenever I have to travel by subway, two million other people always get the same idea? Better still, how come they all try to squeeze into my car? Mind you though, I have never let this bother me. Even though a woman's umbrella is dripping all over me and she is grinding her heel into my foot, I will be patient with all of this. However, I absolutely will not stand for people sitting on my Nifty Space Station box.

Finally, I and the other two million people reach our stop with all of us trying to get off at the same time. When smoke has cleared, I'm usually stuck between the doors. Alas, I do free myself and I set off in search of A & S.

Nowadays, one doesn't walk into a department store; you get spun in. And if by any chance you should forget to step out of the revolving door, well, you'll probably end up in orbit. However, as long as you're in the store your worries are over because from there on you just get carried along with the crowd. Once in the Complaint Department, I wait on a labyrinth of different lines and am referred

back and forth to a variety of important people until finally it dawns on me that A & S doesn't take very kindly to people returning things. After a few unfriendly looks from the saleslady, I start to claw my way through the mob in hopes of reaching the toy department before next Christmas.

Now there is nothing, excepting perhaps the Battle of Bull Run, that could possibly be compared with the department store during the Yule Season. Naturally, since I want to buy a genuine Tick Dracy Detective Kit so does everyone else in the store and they all cluster around the counter and fight like dogs and cats to get them. Therefore, I suck in my breath and squeeze into the crowd, grab myself a kit and finally wedge my way out of the jam. By the time I reach the check-out counter and hand my dilapidated five dollar bill to the woman, I am positively gasping for breath.

Once again on the trip home I get the spiked heel put through my foot and the wet umbrella all over my legs only this time I also get slapped in the face with a soggy newspaper.

I am home. Slowly, I drag myself up the steps to the front door in my tattered coat, carrying the shabby box. As I walk in the door I hear my brother talking to my mother.

"You know, Ma, that genuine Tick Dracy Detective Kit isn't such a keen idea. Now, what I really want for Christmas is a . . ."



CHRISTMAS CHIMES

Frosty the Snowman — McAuleyan caught in a blizzard coming to school.

Jingle Bells — Yuletide twist.

I'll Be Home for Christmas — that's one day they can't give me detention.

Hobby Inspires All

Each year at Christmas time McAuley is treated to a most beautiful and inspiring sight. Mr. John Toolan, our school custodian, rebuilds for all to see, in the front of his home, the Nativity scene.

This is a year long project. Mr. Toolan through research and intense reading, tries to recreate the Nativity scene as he thinks it was many centuries ago. Every year he tries to improve it. Through research, for instance, he has discovered the theory that the Saviour was born in a cave, where the shepherds stayed in bad weather and not in a man-made stable as is the common notion.

This hobby is a source of real and lasting satisfaction to Mr. Toolan. He is certainly a fine example of Catholic action to keep the true meaning of Christmas alive. It is his sincere hope that this Nativity scene will inspire many a person to give Christmas to Christ.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

A light shall shine upon us this day; for He is born to us: and He shall be called Wonderful: God, the Prince of Peace —

From the *Introit*:
Christmas Mass at
Dawn

ADVENT

By Catherine Conlon 4A1
Anticipation . . . Penance
Yearning
Preparation . . . Reflection
Rejoice!
Christ . . . Christ!

McAuley Alumnae Enter Religious Life at Syosset

On a brisk, breezy Election day, McAuley made its annual visit to the Novitiate of the Sisters of Mercy, Syosset. Among the former McAuleyans who entered in September was Marie Scotto, Associate Editor of last year's MCAULEYAN.

Marie's smiling face and generous spirit were characteristic of her four years at McAuley. Her hard work and enthusiastic spirit were a great contributing factor to the MCAULEYAN.

Rita Mary Hayes, one of last year's vivacious cheerleaders and active officer of the Junior Sacristans, and Kathy Hines, member of the Glee Club and Leo Honor Society are there too.

Celeste Mullaney, class of '61 and captain of that year's Varsity, and Mary Ann Koehler, also '61, who was a member of the Student Council have also entered.

Diane Baker, class of '60, Leo Honor member and Yearbook, represents her year in this year's entrance at Syosset.

We all send our prayers and best wishes to the girls for perseverance in their chosen vocation.

History Notes

French and Indian War — Mademoiselle Sophisticate being pestered by the classroom beat-nicks.

First successful rocket launch- ing outside Cape Canaveral — something went wrong in the Science Room — it went up too.

Discrimination — girls refusing to eat Chicken Chow Mein so as to refuse Red China into the U.N. (United Nibblers)

Point Four Program—1. Push (freshman to senior). 2. Push (senior to freshman). 3. Pull (hair of senior) 4. Passing away (of beloved freshman)

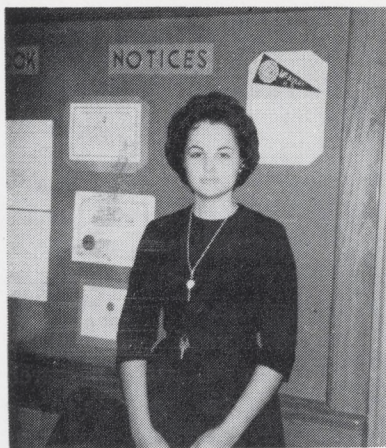
Tour of the White House — Sophomore showing interested freshman points of interest, but-ler service, hi-fi system, etc.

Medicare — only aged seniors are allowed into Medical Room where they receive workmen's compensation.



Mr. Toolan arranges background for the Nativity Scene.

SPOTLIGHTING Within McAuley



"Paging: There will be a Yearbook meeting in Room 14 at three o'clock." This announcement sends girls from all classes to Room 14, but whether or not a meeting is announced you will see a blur of light streaking through the corridors. If it pauses long enough to unwind, you may recognize Peggy Mango of the 4A4, Editor-in-Chief of the 1963 MERCIAN.

Responsibility is her middle name, and the word relaxation is obsolete. It might have been an accident to the Yearbook staff, but we consider it an act of Providence.

Right now she is in the middle of a race against time to beat deadlines, but Peggy thrives on hard work. Football games, dancing, especially to Elvis' records, and working with ceramics are the things she likes to do most, but hardly has a minute to spare for them. If she ever runs for Congress she will support a 32 hour day.

Peggy's immediate ambition is to make this year's MERCIAN the most successful book ever produced. Humility, one of her outstanding virtues, should help her achieve this goal. Perhaps the most accurate description was given by her own sister Linda: "She's a doll!"

Sentimentality is one of her faults, she admits, and she dreads the day she will have to leave school. When she graduates, McAuley will miss her, too!

The Junior Class 3A3 is proud of its energetic President, Margaret Dempsey, a great leader as well as a sincere friend. Margaret rates high scholastically, but balances her school life with active participation in Glee Club, Mission Club, Spanish Club, and Library Pages. Her singing talent is recognized in her acceptance as a member of the special Schola group.

With a leaning toward sports, swimming, bowling and tennis are her favorites, but occasionally she finds time to play basketball.

Margaret prefers casual clothes and simple hair styles for her out-of-school hours. When she isn't involved in school activities or babysitting for six nieces and nephews, Margaret likes to read non-fiction books.

After graduation she intends to work for a while and then go to college to become a Certified Public Accountant.



Varied Careers Highlight Day

Career Day was introduced to the Juniors and Seniors on Wednesday, November 21. This day, set aside to enable the girls to obtain information about their prospective fields, was a great success.

Father Dunn who presided over the assembly portion of the ceremonies gave the guests a warm welcome. He then introduced Mrs. G. Donahue, the guest speaker, an outstanding lay woman and lecturer for the Cana Conference Organization of the Brooklyn Diocese, who gave a very informative talk on the value of good Catholics in all walks of life. After Mrs. Donahue finished, Father introduced our guests of the day. They were Mr. Peter Soriano of Pratt Institute, who conducted a panel on advertising and commercial art; Mr. J. S. Roszel, Jr. of United Air Lines and Miss Mary Lyons of Pan American, who talked to those interested in becoming airline hostesses. A special agent from the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Mr. Patrick Thorpe, spoke about that branch of work. Those interested in becoming laboratory technicians were introduced to the specifics by Mr. Andrew Jaros of N.Y.C. Community College. Panels on elementary and high school level teaching were conducted by Sister Francis Maureen O.P. of Molloy College and Sister John Raymond C.S.J. of St. Joseph's College. The field of social work was explained by Sister Mary Paul S.M. of Angel Guardian Home. For those girls interested in becoming nurses or entering one of its related fields there were three speakers, Sister Miriam Anne S.C., of St. Vincent Hospital; Sister Marian Rita S.C. of New York Foundling and Miss Helen Morgan R.N. of St. Mary's Hospital. For those girls interested in becoming the secretary every boss dreams about there were also three panels, Mr. Frank Donnelly of The Wood School; Mrs. Hazel Lynch of Pace College and Miss Helen Claire of Claremont Secretarial School.

Besides giving their valuable time, these people, who are all experts, gave the girls a vast amount of information.

Look What "One, Two" Can Do

Since McAuley's new gym teacher, Mrs. Denver, arrived here in September things haven't been the same. She has been spreading her unending vigor throughout the school in all her gym classes. Mrs. Denver is a graduate of McAuley and she is pleased to come back here as a teacher.

"There just isn't enough time to get in all I have planned," exclaimed Mrs. Denver. Just what has she planned? Prepare yourselves, girls, for a full schedule of calisthenics! She will also carry on a full program of physical fitness, including calisthenics and all types of sporting events such as, basketball, volleyball and dodge ball to mention only a few. But because our periods are too short, forty-two minutes to be exact, we must modify the program to meet the schedule. "Nevertheless, I would recommend that all students continue their 'sit-ups' at home for at least five minutes a day." So come on, girls, up and at it. We can all use a little exercise. It's a great help when dancing those steps that seem utterly impossible just now.



Junior Journalists Complete Course

Eleven McAuleyans enjoyed a delightful feeling of accomplishment on Nov. 16. Why? Because Nov. 16 was graduation night at the Catholic Institute of the Press. For seven consecutive weeks these girls attended Friday night conferences in journalism, held at Cathedral High School, to further their knowledge of good reporting.

The students were divided into groups and under the guiding hand of an experienced journalist they were taught the ideals and skills of fine writing. The most stressed topics this year were news stories and leads. A lead attracts the reader's eye and invites him to read on. The young journalists must meet a deadline each week with the assignment of the previous meeting. The articles vary from interviews to brief news lead. After correction, a discussion period follows. In this way the students learn from each other's errors.

The organization is headed by Mr. William Gilmartin of the *New York Mirror*. Other well-known city "editors" include Roy Hessen, *International Trade Review* and Helen Staunton, *Hall Syndicate*.

Each year the CIP offers this course to high school students from all the dioceses throughout New York City. Often, as a result of these conferences, many students are encouraged to enter the field of journalism as a profession.



Victory Marks New Season

The New York Yankees won the pennant. The Green Bay Packers lead the western division and Catherine McAuley won her first two games at basketball.

The McAuley quintet showed flashing speed on the court by swamping their first adversary, Mary Lewis Academy. With a dazzling display of slick ball handling, the girls poured on the coals and made a one-sided affair of the game in the closing minutes.

From the way this contest started out, it seemed as though it would be close all the way. The score kept adding up first for one team, then for the other. It was a nail-biting, teeth grinding fracas that had everyone on the edge of her seat most of the way. But our girls seemed possessed with winged feet, eagle eyes, as they sank basket after basket to score a walloping 41-24 victory.

Victory was again ours in the St. Michael's-McAuley game, played on November 9. The game was not a run-away as the first one, but a tug-of-war for points until the third quarter when McAuley emerged with a sudden burst of energy to break a very close 26-27 pointer to advance and take hold of the lead. As the clock ticked off the seconds, it was evident that the laurels of victory would once again be placed on McAuley's Cagers. At 6:00, when the final whistle blew, our girls had racked up a score of 53 points to St. Michael's 32.

Stress has been placed on McAuley's Varsity, but what of the

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Warm
With scent of pine
And fireside,
With tenderness of giving
And joy of receiving—
Love.

girls who form the J.V.? Not many know of the spirit of enthusiasm that surges through their veins. These girls form the basis for next year's Varsity. Into their hands is placed the task of keeping McAuley's sports record on top. The girls are: C. Conlan, H. Hanley, J. Hunter, E. Hornichel, J. Mescola, P. Koch, A. Shields, E. Donegan, P. McMorro, J. O'Donnell, T. Ranieri and M. McDonough.

If one has a J.V. team, it is only fitting that it has cheerleaders. Our J.V. Cheerleaders are K. Brennan, S. Shawiry, J. Cannone, K. Keeling, G. Barone, A. Cassidy, P. Brolly, J. Harrington, S. Delia, K. Kayanagh, K. Reilly, D. O'Donald, and L. De Vito.

In the last issue of the MCAULEYAN, the names of four girls who had made Varsity were omitted. These girls are Joan Smith, Irene Lynch, Cathy Smith and Linda Esposto. We are sorry that they were not published along with the other girls; the paper had already gone to press before we received their names.

That's all for now, sports fans. See you at the next McAuley game!